CHURCH NEWS

Red Oak Baptist Church
Edgar S. Price, Pastor

Sunday School, 9:45 A. M. Rob Lucado, Superintendent.
Morning Worship, 11 o'clock.
Training Union, 7:00 P. M. Berkley Cabiness, Director.
Evangelistic service, 8:00 P. M. The annual Revival will be in progress all next week, with the Rev. David Bailey, of the Evergreen parish speaking each evening at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to all services. There will be special music each evening, under the direction of Mrs. E. S. Price, director.

Stonewall Presbyterian Church
Dr. Twyman Williams, Pastor
10:00 A. M. Sunday School.

Seventh-day Adventist Church
William Carey, Pastor
Saturday, July 3, 1954
Sabbath School at 9:30 A. M.
Morning Worship at 11:00 o'clock. Sermon topic: "Such As I Have."
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church
Dr. Twyman Williams, Pastor

10 A. M. Sunday School. Mr. Henry Pack, Supt.
6:30 P. M. Youth Fellowship.
8:00 P. M. Preaching services by the pastor.

Hixburg Presbyterian Church
Dr. Twyman Williams, Pastor

10:00 A. M. Sunday School
11:00 A. M. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Hebron Baptist Church
Organized 1849
Floy W. Cox, Minister
Sunday, July 4, 1954
10:00 A. M. Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Worship. Rev. William M. Black will be the guest minister.
7:30 P. M. Training Union.
Wednesday, July 7, 1954:
8:00 - Rev. Bob Harris, of Evergreen will be the guest minister. This is the regular Prayer and Bible Hour.
Thursday, July 8, 1954
8:00 P. M. Choir rehearsal.
The following members of Hebron are planning to attend the Training Union Week at Massanetta Springs, July 5 - 10: Winifred Lee, Joy Davidson, Madelyn Bondurant, Thelbert Stratton, John Osborne Harrison, Judy Cox, Annie T. Davidson, and the Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Cox.
Hebron members are asked to remember in prayer, and to attend the series of special services beginning July 4 at Red Oak Baptist Church. Rev. David L. Bailey will assist the pastor, the Rev. Edgar S. Price. The Rev. Mr. Bailey will assist in a series of special services at Hebron August 15 - 22.

Bible Baptist Church
Rev. Pat Giles, Pastor
Sunday School ...... 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship .... 11:00 A. M.
Evangelistic Service .. 7:45 P. M.
Prayer Meeting
Thursday .... 7:45 P. M.

New Hope Baptist Church
John P. Leitner, Pastor
Sunday, July 4, 1954
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M. W. D. O'Brien, Supt.
Worship Service, 11:00 A. M.
The W. M. S. meeting Wednesday evening, July 7, at 8:00 o'clock will be held in the home of Mrs. Howard Gilbert.

Liberty Chapel Baptist Church
John P. Leitner, Pastor
Sunday, July 4, 1954
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M. Sam N. Thornhill, Supt.
Baptist Training Union, 7:00 P M. Mrs. Bernard Childers, Director.

Liberty Baptist Church
Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr., Pastor
9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship..
7:00 P. M. Training Union.
8:00 P. M. Evening Worship.
7:30 P. M., Prayer Service - Wednesday.
"What Is Christianity?"
"In the home, it is kindness;
In business, it is honesty;
In society, it is courtesy;
In work, it is fairness;
Toward the unfortunate, it is pity;
Toward the weak, it is help;
Toward the wicked, it is resistance;
Toward the strong, it is trust;
Toward the penitent, it is forgiveness;
Toward the fortunate, it is congratulation;
Toward God, it is reverence and love."

Calvary Baptist Church
Concord, Va.
W. A. Irving, Pastor
Sunday, July 4, 1954

10:00- Sunday School. Mich Beane, Supt.
7:45- Training Union. J. E. Morris, Director.
The Primary Dept. will have the assembly program.
Social leader, Mrs. Blanche Steele made plans with the special committee for the Group 4 Training Union meeting July 23, at 7:45.
The Junior Union will be the social committee. Junior president, Myrtle Shull and vice-pres., Betty Weeks will divide the union to serve on the refreshment, reception, flower committee and the boys will see to the parking of the cars.
Our Training Union group will leave Monday, July 5 at 8:30, for Massanetta. A group from Red Oak and Spout Spring Training Unions will go with our group in a car donated for the trip and week by our director, J. E. Morris.
Wednesday, July 7
7:30- Prayer meeting. W. A. Irving, leader.
Leet's all be praying and working for our revival, which will be held July 11 - 16. We cordially invite every one to worship with us during the revival.
The Bible School closed Sunday, June 27, with commencement being held instead of preaching. Average enrollment was 33. So many of our children have measles.

St. Ann's Episcopal Church
3rd Sunday After Trinity
10 A. M. Church School.

Memorial Methodist Church
Rev. B. T. Price, Minister
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M. C. W. Smith, Superintendent.
Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M. Sacrament of Lord's Supper.
M. Y. F. 7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship, 8:00 P. M. Sermon by pastor.
The Official Board will meet in the church Wednesday evening, July 7, 7:30 o'clock. This is our first meeting for this new Conferen Year and it is a very important meeting.

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Control of Deer Population in Virginia Cou

NEWS FROM COMMISSION OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES

(Education Bulletin No. 193)

It is important for hunters to realize that where the Commission has declared open seasons on antlerless deer it is intended that does shall be shot. Harvest of a proper number of females is the practical means of checking the increase of the animals in an area where they are becoming too numerous.

Based on intensive studies of the ranges and of existing deer populations, open seasons on antlerless deer have been declared on the last shooting day in 10 of the counties west of the Blue Ridge. This action was taken for the specific purpose of checking the increase in numbers of animals in those areas, for the future welfare of the deer as well as the hunters.

Lifting the ban on taking deer of either sex on the last day of the season, rather than on the first, was in keeping with the desire to get a larger number of does killed off. Hunters going into the woods for the first time rather naturally look for opportunity to bag bucks with trophy antlers and are likely to pass up chances to kill females.

It is a well-known principle in deer management that the pyramiding numbers of animals must be checked long before they become numerous enough to endanger their ranges. In many states they have had the distressing experience of having allowed the herds to become so large that they have destroyed their ranges for years to come. Browse for deer is not developed overnight.

Technicians of the Commission are making most careful studies of the mountain deer ranges and their carrying capacities with a view to preventing trouble from overbrowsing before it sets in. Strikingly enough, the very areas where efforts are now being made to control the numbers of animals are the same areas where there were no deer until the restocking program was inaugurated back in the 1930.

Problems in handling deer have been acute down through the years in many states. If hunters will follow the Commission's guidance there will be no need for us in Virginia to repeat the errors which have led to tragic results elsewhere. In many areas deer have died by the hundreds because of overcrowded ranges and resulting undernourishment and starvation.

Experience has proved that there are serious problems in managing deer throughout the development of a deer population. While there appear to be no areas in Virginia where there is danger of reaching the starvation point, there must be continuing efforts to keep the numbers of animals in proper relationship to the availability of browse on their ranges.

Hundreds of clearings in the woods have been made and old logging roads and trails have been developed to supply greater abundance of food, and this important work will continue, but large numbers of deer have to depend mainly upon the native shrubs and mast of the forests which must not be depleted to the danger point.

Where food in abundance is not available, it has been found time and time again that the animals fall off in average weight, they are attacked by disease, the does become sterile, and the males seldom have fully developed antlers. These consequences are noted long before shortage of food is apparent to the casual observer.

When only bucks are shot in the hunting season, the herd continues to grow, for the females will produce an average of one and one-half fawns annually. The increase is not so noticeable until there are considerable numbers of deer on a range, then their numbers increase with amazing rapidity.

Harvesting a proper proportion of female deer is one of the most important factors in deer management. The hunters may know that when the Commission declares an open doe season it is for the p applying well-known pr the intelligent managem

RICHMOND CARILLON IN SUMMER CONCERT

Virginia's World War I the Carillon in Richmond ful Byrd Park, will be the six outdoor concerts this The concerts are being by the Virginia Departme servation and Developme alive the memorial in hon ginia's war dead.

This is the eleventh seas outdoor concerts, which h attended by thousands on mer nights. There will be six concerts on consecuti evenings. They began Jun will continue through July

All kinds of music, opera, classis, musical com popular music, will be hea listeners sitting on benche of the Carillon, on blanke ing chairs and pillows on and sitting in their cars.

The first concert featu Carillon Concert Orchestra star, Bernie Wayne, and E ty at the clavier of the Ca

Rufty, an associate pr music at the University mond, is the only carillon city. He will be featured concert, opening and closin gram, as well as an interlu music in the middle of the

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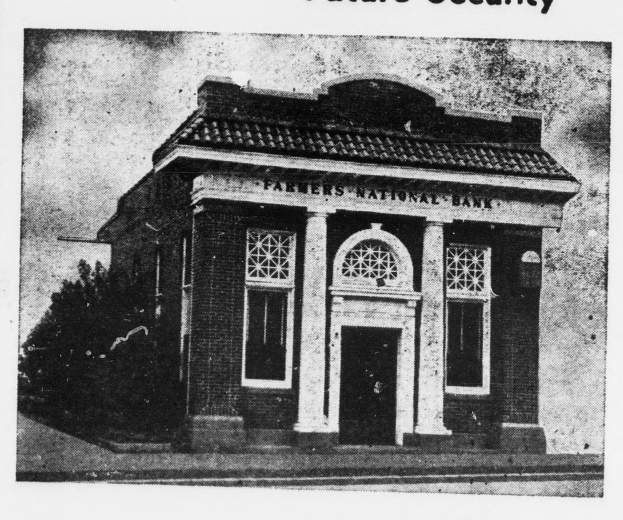

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Friday and Saturday, July 2, 3
JANE RUSSELL — GEORGE BRENT in
Montana Belle
Also: Tom Ewell — Julia Adams in
Finders Keepers
Sunday and Monday, July 4, 5
JAMES STEWART — JEFF CHANDLER in
Broken Arrow
(Technicolor)
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, July 6, 7, 8
ROSALIND RUSSELL — PAUL DOUGLAS in
Never Wave at a Wac

LEE THEATRE SHOWPLACE OF APPOMATTOX
Wednesday and Thursday, 7:30 & 9:30 P. M. Friday 7 and 9:30 P. M.; Saturday continuous from 6 P. M.
Friday, Saturday, July 2, 3
Rock Hudson, Barbara Hale in
Seminole
(Technicolor)
Also: Andy Devine, Guy Madison in
Behind Southern Lines
Wednesday, Thursday, July 7, 8
BUD ABBOTT — LOU COSTELLO in
Abbott & Costello Go to Mars

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Historic Appomattox Gave Unity and Peace to America

A LIVE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER AT HISTORIC APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE VIRGINIA

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Local Crops, Pastures Need General Rain

Is another dry year in prospect for Appomattox County? Could be. Immediate prospects call for scattered thunder showers, but crops and pastures are crying for a general rain.

W. S. Taylor, local rainfall recorder for the weather bureau, reports that 1.64 inches of rain fell during the month of June. This is well below requirements, and scant reserves were built up over the winter in the water table. Some sections of the county doubtless had more than the 1.64 inches recorded by Mr Taylor, as some scattered rains missed the area and the site of the weather bureau tests. But June was definitely a dry month.

July has started off only a little better. Mr. Taylor has recorded only two rains thus far in July. One was a mere .2 of an inch and the other .41 of one inch.

The afternoon and evening of July Fourth saw several thunderstorms. Hail was reported in several scattered sections of the county. Tobacco was badly damaged on farms near Bent Creek, Hixburg and Richwood. Considerable rain fell in parts of the county, but the town had only a light shower. However during the accompanying wind, several trees were blown over. A sizeable limb was blown down on Church Street in Appomattox, near Lee Theatre. Electric current was off over an hour.

Although these scattered showers have helped, the area still needs a general rain.

Hail damage Saturday was heavy in parts of the tobacco belt. Halifax County suffered extensive loss.

In addition to tobacco, pastures and corn are suffered from lack of a general, soaking rain.

Levels of rivers and streams are down, and a few dry wells have been reported.

Although critical, the dryness has not yet become alarming, and most crops may yet be saved. Last year an extended drouth caused tremendous loss to Virginia farmers, and a repitition of drouth conditions this year could be ruinous.

Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

This week we thought we might pply our readers with a travel "in reverse." You have be accustomed to having your edi go on a journey and return to about other towns and states what things there are to see. our office was visited by a newspaper editor and his Mr. and Mrs. A. Robert Cum of The Cannelton News, of nelton, Indiana. They were ex listeners as I told them what knew of Old Appomattox. They e spending their vacation tour Virginia, specializing in the Civil Battlefields.

They wrote up their travels, at iderable length, when they re ed home. If you think I get too -winded, consider that just one the "Lightnin' Strikes" columns Mr. Cummings on his Virginia was 145 inches (7 newspaper ns) long! All excellent report and his paper was most inter ing. And now, for some "reverse l" reading, here is that portion one of his columns, telling what found at APPOMATTOX, June 1954— and "away we go...."

"Two days ago we stood at York and thrilled at the knowledge were able to visit the place British arms were laid down Americans and through this sur freedom of our nation guar ed. Today we stood at another shrine, the spot where General bert E. Lee surrendered the Army Northern Virginia to General U. Grant, commander in chief of all eral forces. This was at Appo ttox Court House, Virginia and surrender meant the cementing our nation which had become a ainty at Yorktown. Thus, in one resting visit to Virginia, we stood re two great wars actually came an end.

However, our feelings today were erent than when we read tablets Yorktown's Surrender Field. At pomattox Court House, we could help but think that here ended war fought between countrymen, d up on sides in a fight that last through four bitter years. Antag s on each side were firm in the efs for which they fought, yet many, many men who bled and in the years of war did so in of the most terrible conflicts all times. For it took four years decide which should conquer and doubt our nation is stronger to than it would have been had terms been reversed at Appo ox. We thought of this as we this historic village and material there which show greatness of each general d Lee. As has been so apt here was a "reconciliation men with gentlemen.' is the story of Appomattox described in the pamphlet avail visitors at the surrender

"Few events in American history more enduring significance for America of today than the sur of the Confederate Army of thern Virginia to Gen. Ulyssis S. on April 9, 1865 at Appomat Court House, Va. Surrender of 's army, the most formidable and most successful army of the Con eracy, brought the 4-year War een the States to a virtual The right of a State to se from the Federal Union had debated in press and on plat almost from the founding of Nation. A cannon shot at Fort ter, in April 1861, had referred decision to the field of battle. Gen. Robert E. Lee rode away the McLean House on the aft of April 9, 1865, the ques of the county remaining united been settled. Freed from in war and national dissent, a Nation in the years after pomattox entered upon an era of in industry and transpor which by the end of the cen was to make the United States power in the world. Today Appomattox, an internal peace now for more than 80 is memorialized. That internal has resulted in a unity from derives the power of the Na and of a country stretch from the Atlantic to the from the Gulf to Canada. one people enjoy the last benefits of the founders' prin

Prelude to Appomattox

ederal victory at Five Forks, on 1, 1865, made evacuation of Confederate Richmond - Peters

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New Traffic Laws Are In Effect On Virginia State Highways

Several new laws went into effect July 1 on Virginia highways.

A driver caught traveling in excess of 75 miles per hour will be found guilty of reckless driving and will have his operator's license suspended for not less than 60 days, nor more than six months.

The lowering of lights law has amended to include a requirement that lights be lowered when coming up behind a vehicle as well as approaching one. The distance within which lights must be lowered is 200 feet.

There has been a slight, but important change regarding the school bus stop law, too. Heretofore a motorist had to stop when a bus was loading or unloading. Now an added requirement is that he must stop when a bus is loading or unloading, either in the motorist's direction or in the opposite direction, and he must remain stopped uptil all children are off the highway and the bus is in motion again.

The reckless driving law, formerly applying only to highways along such areas as schools, has now been amended to include church grounds, businesses and school and recreation grounds.

From now on anyone convicted of one reckless driving and one speeding violation will have his license suspended for 60 days. Heretofore two reckless driving convictions within a year brought a year's suspension, and two convictions of speeding in a year resulted in loss of license for 60 years.

A change in giving signals now requires motorists to give a turn signal, either by arm or mechanically, at least 100 feet before making the turn if going more than 35 miles an hour. If under 35 miles-per hour areas the old regulation of 50 feet still holds.

There is a new ban on throwing lighted cigarettes or any lighted material from a car when in or near forest land, brush of field containing burnable materials.

Work Started On New Service Station

Ground has been broken for a new modern service station, at the intersection of Routes 460 and 131. This is one of the town's top traffic corners. The station will be on the northeast corner of the property owned by H. Y. Spencer. Coleman Construction Co., of Lynchburg, is the contractor. It is understood that the property will be leased and operated as a Cities Service Station.

Federation To Sponsor Youth Awards Program

The Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will again sponsor an awards program for young men and women's clubs this year.

Dr. James Duncan, older rural youth specialist at VPI, says the Federation has voted to make $100 available, to be awarded to clubs carrying on the best educational, recreational, and community service programs.

The money will be used to sponsor delegates from the winning clubs to leadership training conferences.

The three top clubs in 1953 were Rockingham Young Men and Women's Club, Louisa Young Adult Club, Richmond Young Adult Club.

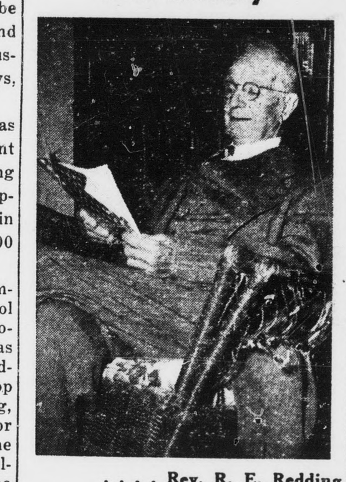
Forms to turn in records in the awards program will be available this summer.

Babcock Family Had Reunion

The Babcock family enjoyed a family reunion last Sunday at the 200-year-old home on the farm of A. A. Babcock in Nelson County. There were sixty present for the occasion. Music and singing were enjoyed during the afternoon.

The family of the late Mrs. Blanche Sweeney, sister of the late H. C. Babcock, was present for the reunion.

93rd Birthday



.... Rev. R. E. Redding

The Rev. R. E. Redding, retired Presbyterian minister, will be 93 years old Tuesday, July 13. The family plans to observe the birthday this Sunday with a reunion at his home here. He has five children, 16 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild.

Virginia Had Lowest Fire Loss in South

Virginia came up with the lowest forest fire loss record for the entire South in 1953, it was announced by American Forest Products Industries, Inc., national sponsor of the Keep Green fire prevention program and the American Tree Farm System.

AFPI's report, based on government figures just released, showed 2,517 fires burned over 35,197 Virginia acres. This compares with 2,568 fires and 118,690 acres burned over in 1952. Virginia's Keep Green educational campaign to prevent woods fires was formally activated in 1945. All of the timberlands are under organized protection.

Texas had the second best fire loss record in the South last year with 40,148 acres burned over. South Carolina was third with losses totaling 72,867 acres.

"The fine record made by Virginia last year proves the effectiveness of co-operation by all groups in a campaign to reduce forest fires," said James C. McClennan chief forester for AFPI.

ROAD TO BALL PARK RECEIVES TREATMENT

In order to hold down damaging dust, the town has given a treatment to the road leading from Route 460 to the Town Ball Park. This project was authorized by the town council several weeks ago.

WOODMAN CIRCLE

The Supreme Forest Woodman Circle, Appomattox Grove 73, instead of annual picnic in July, will have a fellowship supper at Maud's Hot Shop Thursday, July 15, at 6:30. All members are asked to be present by 6:30.

LAWN PARTY

The W. S. C. S. of the Salem Methodist Church will sponsor a lawn party Saturday, July 10, at the Spout Spring school. Serving will begin at 4:30. Plenty of good eats. Everyone welcome.

Home Demonstration Club

There will be only one home demonstration club meeting next week. The Clover Hill Home Demonstration Club will meet Tuesday July 13, with Mrs. Bernard Richardson.

LIONS CLUB TONIGHT

The Appomattox Lions Club will meet tonight, July 8, at 6:45 at Maud's Hot Shop.

Primaries Will Be Held in Two Districts Tues.

Democrats will nominate candidates for Congress in two Virginia districts next week. A few days later, state Republicans in convention will nominate a candidate to oppose the incumbent, A. Willis Robertson in November for a six-year term in the U. S. Senate.

Democratic primaries will be held next Tuesday in the Sixth and the Tenth Congressional Districts. Three candidates are listed in the Sixth, and the winner will face the Republican incumbent, Richard H. Poff in the November general election. The candidates for the Democratic nomination are: Powell Glass, Jr., Lynchburg newspaper exectuive; Delegate Ernest Robertson, of Roanoke County; and Dr. J. Carl Poindexter, of Salem, a former college professor. All three have waged active campaigns, but experts forsee a lack of great interest and a light vote. Poff has already been renominated by Sixth District Republicans.

There are four candidates in the Tenth District, and the winner will oppose the incumbent Republican Joel Broyhill, in the general election. The four candidates are: John C. Webb, Fairfax Delegate; Dean E. Brundage, director of social studies at Washington-Lee High School in Arlington; J. Walter White, of Fairfax, and Charles Lewis Knight, of Arlington.

In the Fourth District, Representative W. M. Abbitt, of Appomattox is without opposition for another term, and there will be no primary.

The Republican convention will be held in Roanoke July 17, to nominate a candidate to oppose Senator A. Willis Robertson.

NAMED ZONE CHAIRMAN FOR LIONS CLUBS

Robert Burger, secretary - treasurer of the Farmville Lions Club has been named Zone Chairman of Virginia Lions Zone 1. As such he will supervise clubs at Appomattox, Bedford, Lynchburg, Rustburg, Fort Hill and Farmville.

The Zone Chairman meets with officers of his six clubs periodically during his year's term of office for workshops in club management, finances, membership and activities.

Group Leaves for Boys', Girls' State at Blacksburg

A group will leave here Sunday to attend the Girls State and Boys State next week at Blacksburg. The group will include Edna Gregory and Betty Jean Goad, will attend the Girls State. Tney are sponsored by the Lions Club, Virginia Novelty Co., and the American Legion Auxiliary. Teddy Mitchell and Ronnie Lewis will attend the Boys State. They are sponsored by the P.-T. A. and American Legion, of Appomattox. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Lewis will take the group by car.

What A Ball Game; Score was 32 to 31

The ladies tried their luck playing softball Tuesday night at the Town Park. The Methodist girls played the girls from Oakville. Final score: 32 to 31, in favor of the Methodists!

Chas. Crawley Reappointed Trial Justice

Two appointments were made by Circuit Court Judge Joel F. Flood, as of July 1.

Charles F. P. Crawley was named for a new four-year term as Trial Justice of Appomattox County. This will be Judge Crawley's second four year term. He also served out the unexpired term of the late L. F. Ferguson.

J. S. Kinney was appointed to a two-year term as a member of the Board of Public Welfare of Appomattox County. He had been serving out the term of the late Frank Smith. Other members of the board are F. A. O'Brien, chairman, and L. J. Morris.

Market Cards Are Needed To Sell Wheat

As the 1954 wheat crop moves to market, county farmers are again reminded that marketing cards must be presented to the buyer to identify the wheat as free of penalty. If the wheat producer does not present the marketing card, the buyer has instructions to consider all the wheat subject to penalty and to collect $1.12 per bushel penalty, C. C. Harvey, county ASC chairman said today.

Appomattox County wheat farmers who are entitled to wheat marketing cards may pick up the cards at the county ASC office. If the operator is unable to visit the ASC office, he may request in writing that the card be mailed to him. A producer who plans to market his wheat at a remote point not in the presence of the buyer may obtain a marketing certificate from the ASC office to market his wheat by mail. If no wheat is to be marketed or if no wheat is to be milled, threshed or cmbined for toll, no card is needed. However, the farmers who pay wheat as toll for milling or combining services must present a marketing card to identify the wheat as penalty free.

Lewis Is Re-appointed

Judge Joel W. Flood has reappointed John F. Lewis to another four year term as Trial Justice of Prince Edward County.

Six-Month Traffic Record In Virginia is Best Since 1948

Richmond, Va.- A reduction of 10 Virginia traffic deaths during June, when compared with June, 1953, saw the Commonwealth reach the year's halfway mark with the lowest toll for six months since 1948, Col. C. W. Woodson, Jr., Superintendent of State Police has announced.

Subject to some slight upward revision due to late reports or deaths of persons now carried in an injured status, July began with 342 deaths which represent 82 less than for the same period last year. Six-month totals for past years were 424 for 1953, 422 for 1952, 440 for 1951, 400 for 1950, 359 for 1949, and 306 for 1948. In 1948, 730 people were killed and today traffic volumes are some 47 per cent higher than in that year.

Pedestrian deaths continued down with 69 comparing well with the 117 for the first six months of last year.

Col. Woodson warned against complacency and noted that the second half of the year invariably shows far more deaths than the first. "It is truly a condemnation of our civilization when we can point to 342 tragic, unnecessary deaths in only six months and call it a 'good' record," he said.

The Safety official again praised the stern license - suspension laws achieved and the authorization of radar as a speed detection device. He felt that the psychological effect of the device, which did not go into use until July 1, was felt in past months and noted some 70,000 drivers with first convictions of speeding or reckless driving were very apprehensive as to receiving their second and final one.

"Best of all," he said, "I believe that a healthier public attitude is becoming more and more apparent. This has been shown by their elected representatives and a general trend towards voluntary obedience of traffic laws and more courteous driving."

Local 4-H Clubs To Attend Camp Next Week

Four-H Club members from Appomattox, Bedford and Botetourt Counties will attend camp at Holliday Lake 4-H Club Camp July 12-17. Mrs. Mark Saurs will serve as leader from Appomattox County. Club members attending from this county:

Bill Allen Burke, Tommy Drinkard, Dennis Torrence, John Allen Mayberry, Phillip Scruggs, Catherine Richardson, Annette Franklin, Shirley Watson, Linda Dale Anderson, Patsy Jamerson, Kitty Lou O'Brien, Laura Carson, Patricia Price, Gene Carson, Eddie Rothgeb Terry Phelps, Teddy Moore, Samuel Inge, Charlene Thomas, Carolyn Childers, Eleanor Richardson, Mary Anna McDearmon, Doris Mayberry Jane Martin, Patsy Tolley, Ann Martin, Freddie Mitchell, J. C. Davis, B. T. Megginson, Billy Harper, Ann Ranson, Rebecca Reynolds Louise Wood, Patsy Williams, Peggy Ellen Lewis, Virginia Carolyn Caldwell, Carey Ann Carson, Louella Martin and Carrie Jane Inge.

Mrs. B. G. Anderson, home demonstration agent; R. B. Hudgins county agent, and Delbert L. Whitehead, assistant county agent, will also attend camp.

AT LAKE THIS WEEK

The 4-H Club Camp at Holliday Lake finds groups present this week from Buckingham, Fluvanna, Prince Edward, Nelson and Amherst Counties. J. B. Whitehead, county agent, Lovingston, is director for the group for the week. Other Extension leaders from these counties will direct various camp activities.

New groups are in camp weekly at Holliday during the summer.

NEW NEWS DEALER

Beginning today, the Times-Virginian will be on newsstand sale by Norman H. Jones at Spout Spring post office. Other news dealers for this paper are: Appomattox Garment Co. Canteen Spencers's Drug Store, and the Richwood Service Station.